

UTILITY PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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**RESPONSE PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on August 13, 2007, please consider the following remarks.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 2 of this paper.